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TO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: TP, AV, IV, US

SUBJECT: DESIRE OF US FIRM TO BASE AIRCRAFT IN IVORY COAST

1. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN APPROACHED BY MR. KIRBY DRENNAN OF UNITED RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, BASED IN LAFAYETTE, LA., FOR ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING GOIC APPROVAL OF ITS REQUEST TO BASE ONE US-REGISTERED AIRCRAFT (ROCKWELL COMMANDER) IN IVORY COAST DURING PERIOD JULY-DECEMBER, 1975. DRENNAN SAID HIS FIRM HAS CONTRACTED WITH STARKIST FOOD AND ZAPATA CORPORATION TO SEEK OUT TUNA SCHOOLS OFF COAST WEST AFRICA.

2. AT SUGGESTION IVORY COAST EMBASSY WASHINGTON, DRENNAN SAYS HE WROTE IVORIAN MIN PUBLIC WORKS BONI MAY 23 GIVING FULL DETAILS THIS VENTURE AND ASKING GOIC APPROVAL. ADDED THAT ON JUNE 12 HE WROTE EMBASSY ABIDJAN (FERRITER), ENCLOSING COPY HIS LETTER TO MINISTER, AND SOUGHT EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE IN EXPEDITING GOIC ACTION ON REQUEST.

3. CHECK WITH IVORY COAST EMBASSY REVEALS EMBASSY HAS NO IDEA WHY UNITED RESOURCES HAS NOT RECEIVED ANSWER; EMBASSY HAS AGREED SEND FOLLOW-UP CABLE TO GOIC FOLLOWING RECEIPT WRITTEN REQUEST FROM DRENNAN.

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4. UNLESS YOU PERCEIVE PROBLEMS, REQUEST EMBASSY  
FOLLOW UP WITH MINISTRY PUBLIC WORKS AND PROVIDE STATUS RE-  
PORT WHICH WE MIGHT PASS TO UNITED RESOURCES. KISSINGER

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